Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company Awards Multi-Year Contract To Lockheed Martin To Manage IT Infrastructure

Lockheed Martin Information Technology (LMIT), a leader in information technology (IT) outsourcing, has announced a technology services partnership that will provide the world's largest tire maker with the highest quality, mission critical mainframe infrastructure systems and support.

As part of the deal, Lockheed Martin will assume responsibility of The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company's mainframe corporate systems in North America, including production control and scheduling, mainframe operations and associated network and helpdesk support. In addition, the companies will leverage their respective technology prowess throughout the $14B tire giant's manufacturing, distribution, and dealership channel systems to extend Goodyear's competitive edge.

"Lockheed Martin has a proven industry track record, and a focus on customer satisfaction," summarizes Eric Berg, Vice President, e-commerce & Chief Information Officer at Goodyear. "We needed a trusted technology partner to help us achieve our aggressive cost saving goals and are confident that Lockheed Martin will deliver for us."

"We are thrilled to be selected by Goodyear to perform these critical IT services," adds Bob Lohfeld, President, Commercial Enterprise Solutions, Lockheed Martin Information Technology. "Goodyear's decision brings them into our growing base of marquee clients who are looking for what Lockheed Martin offers: quality service, cost value, and technological leadership. They are one of the giants of global business and we look forward to working with them."

"We evaluated multiple options as part of the process that ultimately led to the deal with Lockheed Martin," says Steve Buckus, Goodyear's Director of Global Infrastructure. "We are excited about our new relationship with a technology partner that brings a vast array of talents to work with the outstanding talent already within Goodyear."

Transition of service to Lockheed Martin is expected to be complete by the end of May. The majority of the work will be performed at Goodyear's corporate headquarters in Akron, Ohio and at Lockheed Martin's Enterprise Service Center in Hillsboro, Oregon.

Goodyear is the world's largest tire company. Headquartered in Akron, Ohio, the company manufactures tires, engineered rubber products and chemicals in more than 90 facilities in 28 countries. It has marketing operations in almost every country around the world. Goodyear employs about 95,000 people worldwide. http://www.goodyear.com/.

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